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THROWING MEN INTO PRISON

Indignant because President Wilson commuted the sentence of John Dorsey from eight years to four years in prison, Judge K. M. Landis has scored the president.

"I wonder what frame of mind he must have been in," said Judge Landis, "to cut such a sentence."

Judge Landis is one of our best federal judges. He is a man of high ideals, but he is heartless on the bench. The first came prominently before the public as the judge who penalized the Standard Oil company \$29,000,000 for violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. The penalty was declared excessive by the higher court and the big monopoly escaped. But this act of Judge Landis had a salutary effect and, from that day, Standard Oil and other powerful concerns indulging in destructive tactics have had more respect for the law.

But Judge Landis, in their particular case, may err in severity. More and more the thoughtful and sympathetic men on the bench are getting away from the idea of a justice which knows no pity or compassion. The old prompting was wipe out crime by remorseless punishment. Then great men, with hearts and souls, discovered that throwing offenders into prison, there to spend endless days caged as wild animals in captivity, and there to shrivel in mind and waste in body, neither made men better nor lowered the percentage of crime. They discovered that the highest service to humanity was to save rather than destroy, and they proceeded to reverse the old order of things and deal with the criminal as a human being who, in part, is the victim of influences over which he has no control. They began to devise ways and means to reform, to lift up, to remake the wrongdoer.

Judge Landis, we take it, would have none of this softness of heart. He belongs to the school that preaches against compassion and in casting the lawbreaker into prison, says:

"There! Let him rot, if he may. I now dismiss this criminal from my mind. The inexorable law of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth must prevail. I have done my duty. What care I for brainstorms, heartaches, regrets, repentance, remorse! Mathematically, I prescribe the minutes, the hours, the days, the years. One may fatten on the sentence. Another may die in anguish. The law knows no discrimination, considers no variation in temperament, has no fine sensibilities with which to weigh the souls of men, and, having prescribed the punishment, I am as relentless!"

COX SHOULD ANSWER

Trouble looms ahead for Governor James M. Cox, and, perhaps, for Senator Harding. Richmond P. Hobson, the kissing congressman from Alabama, who, with Bryan, led the fight for prohibition at San Francisco, has sent the Democratic candidate a telegram, asking him for a strong statement opposing any effort of congress to modify the Volstead act to permit a greater alcoholic content in liquors.

Inasmuch as the Cox people are known to be a "little bit wet" and there is some uncertainty as to what the Democratic nominee would do if elected, the man from Dayton should answer Congressman Hobson.

There should be no misunderstanding on the liquor question. If Governor Cox is for light wines and beer, and favors a measure of that kind, he should be quick to make his position known to the American people. There are millions of voters who will leave party to one side to cast their votes against a return of any form of intoxication or any recognition of the traffic in alcohol, weak or strong, because they are determined to keep the door closed to the temptation.

On the other hand, there are millions of citizens in the larger cities who want what they call personal liberty and are in favor of drink. But our presidential candidates should not be allowed to straddle the fence and oggle both sides. They should make their convictions known, without equivocation.

If Cox is for alcohol he should say so. When the Democratic aspirant has replied, then Harding should be placed on record. No double dealing should be tolerated.

DISARMING THE GERMANS

At the Spa conference the alarming statement has been made that the Germans have one million men under arms, notwithstanding they were supposed to reduce their armed forces to a negligible quantity.

Knowing how the Germans tricked Napoleon, the allied statesmen at Spa are carefully scrutinizing the Germans, searching for evasions of the mandate to disarm. When Napoleon commanded that the Prussians were to be allowed a police force not greater than 25,000 trained soldiers, the wily Germans filtered through this organization 25,000 civilians every three months, until they had a great army trained in military tactics.

For the peace and security of Europe, it is essential to reduce Germany to a harmless state and, until this is done, uncertainty will prevail and the future will give promise of another big war. A people as highly trained in the science of war, with a love of country so pronounced and a pride so intense, as that of the Germans cannot be trusted to regain their military strength without endangering the peace of the world.

When the Germans are completely disarmed, they should be protected from mistreatment by the combined moral force of the world.

SAVING THE ARMENIANS

Responding to the appeal of Dr. Lincoln Wirt, an audience at the tabernacle last night subscribed to the relief of the people of Armenia.

Dr. Wirt is a lecturer of ability, who is traveling over the country, giving his time and talents without compensation, in an effort to keep up the resources of the Near East Relief society which has taken the place of the Red Cross in all that region known as Asia Minor, where the Turk, in the past, has systematically slaughtered the Armenian in an effort to wipe out the last vestige of Christianity in the Holy Land and the country adjacent thereto.

Dr. Wirt has gone into the region of these Turkish atrocities and has seen the evidence of the brutality attending the Ottoman reign of terror. He has come back from Aleppo, Beirut and the south coast of the Black Sea, filled with one thought, and that is to save the Armenians from destruction. His mission is a worthy one and the lecturer is receiving encouragement and aid wherever he goes.

GREAT INDEBTEDNESS

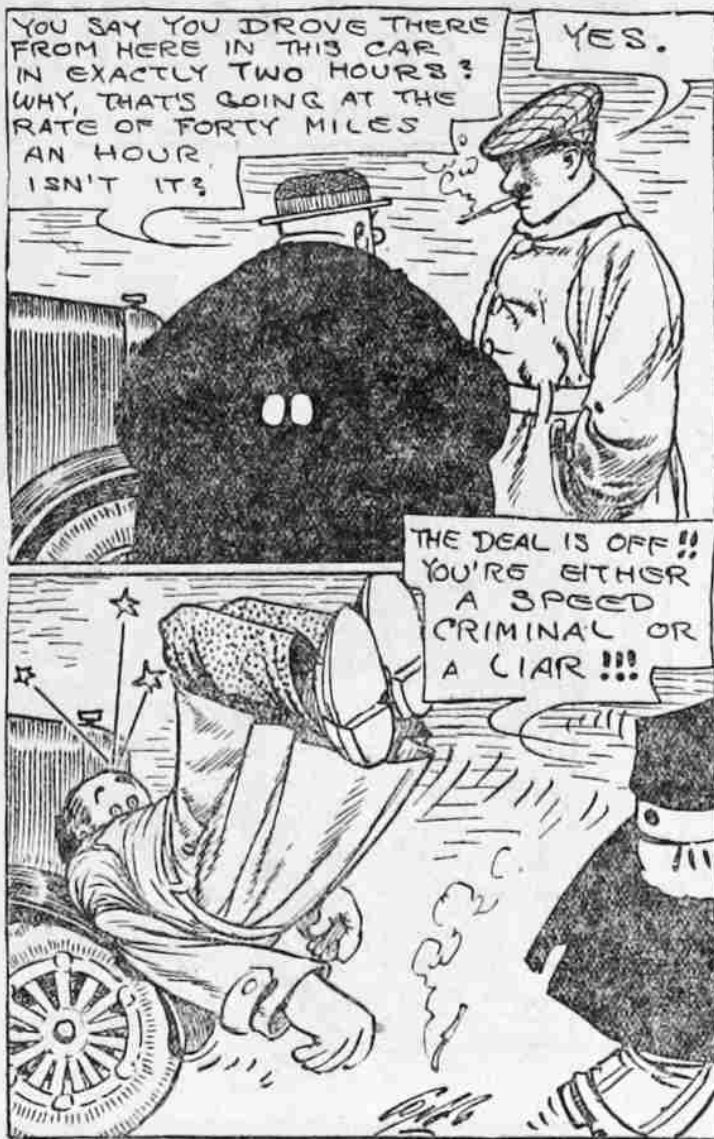
What is the debt of the nations, after the piling up of the obligations of the war? One statistician places the total at \$265,000,000,000, an increase of \$221,000,000,000.

Germany's debt is listed at \$23,000,000,000, but the German delegation at the Spa places it at \$66,000,000,000 and claims Germany is unable to pay and will repudiate, if the allies insist on their present figures of reparation.

The bonded debt of the United States is \$21,474,000,000, or \$225 per capita. But Europe owes this country \$10,000,000,000.

Great Britain owes \$26,428,000,000, or \$850 per capita. Germany's per capita is \$800; France's, \$1,150; Italy's, \$365.

OUTBURSTS OF EVERET TRUE



DR. VANCE'S DAILY ARTICLE

BY DR. JAMES L. VANCE

It is getting to be a hard world for bigots. There was a time when they owned the earth, but their lease has run out. It is out of date to "Grant up a solemn, lengthened groan, And damn it, parities but, outworn." Sectarianism is discredited. Men decline to worship a sectarian God nowadays, and they show pity as well as sense in the refusal. The church that insists on a sectarian program, that magnifies the points that separate it from the rest of Christendom, that wants to be let alone, is likely to be let alone. It will find solitude, and its solitude will approach the loneliness of the grave.

Tolerance is not uniformity. It is not whitening belief down to next to nothing. It is not handling religion with the big metal process and running out all creeds in the same mold. God never makes two trees exactly alike. Why should he want belief flattened out until it is featureless?

What is needed is not that people should believe less, that they may believe alike. If one's convictions are to have driving power, they must be his own, and they must be held tenaciously. It is positions, not negotiations that the world needs.

But all this consists with tolerance. Have men never traveled to a common goal by different routes? Surely no finite intelligence is prepared to claim that he has a monopoly of truth. I have a right to my belief and my neighbor has a right to his. We may recognize and respect each other's sincerity without embracing each other's creed. We can strike hands and toil to achieve a common task without surrendering our honest difference.

The disciplines told Jesus that they found a man casting out devils in His name, but that because he followed not with them, they forbade him. Christ said: "Forbade him not." There are too many devils to be cast out for good people to divide. Get together!

After ma called me about 5 times to get up for school I was setting on the edge of my bed holding, my other stocking and thinking, and Ma stuck her head in the door, saying, Get a cate on, get a cate on, I never saw such a slow poke in all my born days.

And she stuck her head out again and I kept on getting dressed slow and wishing I didn't have to go to school. An account of it being Wednesday and our class having a examination in arithmetic and arithmetic being one of the things I'm bad at, and after a while Ma stuck her head in again, saying, Well for pity sakes, you're just about as fast as molasses.

Meaning I wasn't fast at all, and I said, Good, G. ma, I believe I got a pane sunwaker.

You don't seem to be very sure of it, what kind of a pane? sed ma, and I said, Well it don't feel like a medicine pane, but I aint sure whether I aint to go to school or not.

Well, in sure, sed ma. Meaning I aint to go, and I said, Yes, and I said, Ma, hohy smohy, suppose the pane gets worse in school, its getting worse now.

Where is it in your stomach? sed ma.

Not exactly I sed. On account of a stomachic pane being a medicine pane, and I sed, O you've got about as much of a pane as I have, come on, now, get a cate on you and no fool-shains. And she started to go out, saying, Goodness, Ma, Tuesday, Mrs. Hews is coming this afternoon.

G. gosh, ma is this only Tuesday, aint it Wednesday? I sed, and ma sed, Certainly not, its Tuesday and I sed, G. I aint it was Wednesday, I feel all right now, ma, the pane gone, but it feels like it mite come back tomorrow morning.

You get stiller every day hurry up and get dressed, sed ma.

Which I did.

As it Looks to Me By The Inspector

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The high prices of food and clothing now prevailing in the United States have caused the producers in far-away New Zealand to turn covetous eyes upon American markets, according to Alfred W. Winslow, our consul at Auckland.

Despite the thousands of miles New Zealand products would have to be carried, the farmers of that South Sea dominion believe that the United States offers the most attractive market for their butter, cheese, fresh meat, hides, hemp, wool and other products, and that, after paying all transportation charges, they can still compete profitably with American agricultural products. Winslow reports that additional shipping is being arranged to carry New Zealand's surplus products through the Panama canal.

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